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COUNTRY East Germany 25X1

TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains

REPORT NO. 25X1

EVALUATION 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 7 to 15 February 1953

DATE OBTAINED 25X1 DATE PREPARED 4 March 1953

REFERENCES

PAGES 3 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. The following troop trains were February 1953:

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25X1	<u>Date in</u>	<u>Combination of</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
25X1	<u>February</u>	<u>Troop Trains</u>		
25X1	7	7 boxcars and 8 flatcars	Haldeisleben	Kirchmoeser, Bernburg
	8	13 boxcars and 22 flatcars	Wildpark	Loburg
		6 boxcars and 43 flatcars	Magdeburg	Crivitz
		16 RRYM-type flatcars	Tangerhuette	Rothensee
		4 boxcars and 10 flatcars	Burg	Parchim
		2 converted oxcars, 2 boxcars, 10 flatcars and 16 RRYM-type flatcars	Tangerhuette	Brandenburg
		3 boxcars and 11 flatcars	Baalberge	Wittstock
		3 converted boxcars and 11 flatcars	Brueckfeld	Crivitz
	9	10 boxcars and 78 flatcars	Magdeburg	Schwerin
		13 boxcars and 34 flatcars	Brueckfeld	Plate
		13 boxcars and 35 flatcars	Brueckfeld	Plate

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## 2. Troop trains

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Date in February	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
11	10 boxcars and 32 flatcars	Schwerin railroad district	Rheinsberg
	13 boxcars and 3 flatcars	Crivitz	Berlin
	12 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 33 flatcars	Altengrabow	Wildpark
	14 boxcars and 43 flatcars	Dallgow Doeberitz	Neustrelitz
12	13 boxcars and 29 flatcars	Dallgow-Doeberitz	Neustrelitz
	12 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 33 flatcars; empty	Wildpark	Altengrabow
	47 cars	Boatzow	Neustrelitz
13	9 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar and 39 flatcars	Pritzwalk	Brandenburg
	1 converted boxcar and 14 flatcars	Fuerstenwalde-south	Markersdorf
14	11 converted boxcars, 1 boxcar and 36 flatcars	Wittstock	Rathenow

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3. By order of the Soviet transportation control headquarters, ramps for loading of tanks were to be made available at Gotha on 15 February.<sup>8</sup>

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1. Comment: The troop train with [ ] which probably carried a component of the 34th Arty Div (US) was previously reported [ ]

25X1 [ ] On 11 February 1953, the unit probably returned to its home station by the troop train [ ] mentioned in paragraph 2 of the present report.

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2. Comment: These troop trains probably carried army units of the Third Shock Army which were to participate in winter exercises in the area southeast of Schwerin. On 9 February 1953, the loading of two troop trains, including one train carrying 12 light AA guns, was observed [ ] at the Magdeburg-Friedrichstadt railroad station. The troops came from the direction of the Flak Kaserne, indicating that components of the 3rd Gds AAA Div were loaded. [ ]

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- 3 - [REDACTED]

- 25X6 3. [REDACTED] Comment. The troop train [REDACTED] carrying  
 25X6 an element of the 20th Army AT Arty Brig (US) was previously observed  
 25X6 [REDACTED]
- 25X6 4. [REDACTED] Comment. As the dispatching and receiving stations do not  
 25X1 furnish a clear picture on entrained troop units, the troop trains not  
 25X6 commented on, reported in paragraphs 1 and 2, cannot yet be explained.
- 25X6 5. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED]  
 25X6 [REDACTED] the two trains on 11 February 1953 are  
 25X1 believed to be empty.  
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- 25X6 6. [REDACTED] Comment. Concurrent observations [REDACTED] indicate  
 25X6 that the two troop trains from Dallgow-Doerberitz transported elements of the  
 25X6 2nd Light Arty Brig (US) to the Neustrelitz area. [REDACTED]  
 25X6 According to the reference report, however, a third troop train [REDACTED]  
 25X6 [REDACTED] was also dispatched from Dallgow-Doerberitz.
- 25X6 7. [REDACTED] Comment. The troop train [REDACTED] was previously  
 25X6 reported [REDACTED] in connection with another troop train [REDACTED]  
 25X6 [REDACTED]
- 25X6 8. [REDACTED] Comment. Probably tank units were to be loaded at Gotha having  
 25X6 participated in field exercises in the Gotha area until 15 February 1953.  
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